

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1544 - HB 745

April 21, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires that state contracts with the TennCare behavioral health organizations for alcohol and drug abuse treatment comply with the National Standards of Care created by the American Society of Addiction Medicine.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds 100,000

Bill mandates enhanced service standards for treatment of clients with substance abuse problems. Such standards exceed those currently required of BHOs. Estimate assumes the number of persons eligible to receive such services would generate a significant increase in expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Davenport".

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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